

Dear Friends in Christ,

At the beginning of this year, a dear friend of mine gave me a precious gift; it was a bible which was laid out in daily readings so that by the end of the year, one will have read most texts from the entire bible. Currently, I'm making my way through the Book of Acts. Another resource I enjoy is a daily bible app on my phone, which also includes an alert that I receive twice a day to remind me to read it (which I definitely need)! Yesterday's bible verse from the book of Acts spoke loudly to me. It caused me to reflect on Paul's life and all that he experienced as he preached and witnessed throughout the world after his conversion on the road to Damascus.

“And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there....” Acts 20:22

This verse is a statement which was a part of Paul's message to the elders of the church in Ephesus during his ministry. The verse continues with:

“except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city. Saying that chains and tribulations await me. But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.” Acts 22:24

While we do not face the same destiny that awaited Paul: persecution, punishment, or possible death, we too live lives of great uncertainty. We awake each morning by the grace of God, not knowing “the things that shall befall us” that day. We hear news of loss of life by weather calamities, shootings and terrorist attacks. We know of individuals who received a diagnosis of a terminal illness that changed their life immediately. We lose loved ones, endure relationship difficulties and worry about our children and other loved ones. But we, like Paul, must rely on the Holy Spirit to guide us each day to navigate the uncertainties and difficulties of life in this fallen world. We too, must rely on the grace of God which will hold us up and sustain us during these uncertain times as we too, continue to run the race set before us and finish strong.

Serving with you,

Barb Talmadge



HEBRON'S 2023 FINANCE REPORT

MONTH	CURRENT GIVING	INCOME	NEEDED GIVING	OVER/(SHORT) MONTH TO DATE	OVER/(SHORT) YEAR TO DATE	ATTENDANCE
JANUARY	\$4,021.00	\$5,663.58	\$9,185.58	\$499.00	\$499.00	109
FEBUARY	\$1,984.00	\$512.71	\$9,185.58	\$(6,688.87)	\$(6,189.87)	55
MARCH	\$3,211.00	\$1,499.27	\$9,185.58	\$(4,475.31)	\$(10,665.18)	77
APRIL	\$5,695.25	\$1,513.65	\$9,185.58	\$(1,976.68)	\$(12,641.86)	151
MAY	\$1,843.00	\$168.00	\$9,185.58	\$(7,174.58)	\$(19,816.44)	67
JUNE	\$1,158.00	\$113.75	\$9,185.58	\$(7,913.83)	\$(27,730.27)	80
JULY	\$6,288.00	\$122.05	\$9,185.58	\$(2,775.53)	\$(30,505.80)	62

It is noted that the income column includes monies the church receives from endowments, gas well royalties, etc. If you have any questions, please see any member of the finance team. A complete financial report was included in the 2022 Annual Report. Copies of the Annual Report are available upon request.



OPEN ALTAR FLOWER DATES FOR SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER: September 3; October 1, 8, 22 & 29

If you would like to sponsor the Altar flowers for one of these dates, please call the church office or email: luther201@windstream.net. If you send an email, please include the desired date and the description you would like included in the bulletin.

THANK YOU to the congregation members who have sponsored bulletins for the 2023 year! All Sundays have been covered until the end of the year.



THE SEPTEMBER COUNCIL MEETING will be held on *Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 6PM* in the Berean Room. There are seats available if you are interested in serving on council. If you have any questions, please contact a member of council!



PASTOR ERIC DAMON IS THE LOCAL INTERIM PASTOR FOR HEBRON AT THIS TIME. He will be available for pastoral care emergencies. If you would like to contact Pastor Eric, his phone number is **724-708-4142**.

If you or a loved one is sick and/or in the hospital and would like Pastor Damon to know, please call the church office: 724-842-0801.

As the process to find a new Pastor continues, please pray for Hebron's council, future call committee, and the congregation during this time of change and transition. The power of prayer is strong.

A PRAYER FOR HEBRON –

Let us pray,

Lord, we know that change is a part of life, and the only constant is you. We pray that you will be with us through this change and transition. Send your Holy Spirit upon us to strengthen and guide our church council and members as we discern the future of our church. Provide effective, thoughtful members for our call committee, and send us a pastor you have chosen who will lead us to grow and further the ministry of Hebron Lutheran Church.

This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.



Celebrating Birthdays in September!

1	Lloyd Hickman
1	Sean McCracken
2	John Young
8	Polly Bish
8	Pat McCracken
10	Chelsae Hickman
10	Anne Sorisio
13	Barb Manifest
14	Helen Shaffer
16	Caroline Simon
20	John Sorisio
24	Rhonda Boarts
27	David Fello
28	Sandy Baudino
29	Sandy Grantz



Celebrating Anniversaries in September!

2	Jack & Nancy Erwin	56 th
6	David & Dianne Klingensmith	43 rd
8	Keith & Jackie Kepple	23 rd
8	Clay & Pam Sorisio	44 th
12	John & Paula Moore	36 th
21	James & Tracy Frank	38 th
22	Charlie & Ashley Rogers	11 th
28	David & Mary Ann Fello	38 th

**THE SEPTEMBER 2023
NEWSLETTER IS GIVEN IN
MEMORY OF MY LOVING WIFE,
MARY GENE SHANER.**

By: Her Husband, Paul Shaner



Hello, I just wanted to say thank you for giving me the opportunity to go to Camp Lutherlyn. My favorite parts were playing gaga ball, trying new foods and making new friends. I can't wait to go back again. Sleeping in the cabin was super cool, but I also liked sleeping outside. I enjoyed getting to go to worship and campfire every day. Thank you again – Kaden Vacanti

I wanted to thank the church for the opportunity to go to Lutherlyn. The whole experience was a blast. I had an amazing time participating in all the fun activities while making new friends. My favorite parts were kayaking and worship. I enjoyed hanging out on the lake, it was super cool. I felt like the worship services really helped me learn more and I can't wait to go next year.

Sincerely – Lucas Vacanti

CONFIRMATION CLASSES WILL BEGIN SOON!

Three congregations will be working together this year: First Lutheran, St. Paul's Highfield and Hebron. Classes will meet on alternating Sundays from 1PM – 3PM. Each church will host six consecutive classes, beginning with First Lutheran on September 10, 2023. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Eric Damon. An information letter has been sent out to returning and new students.



Remember in your prayers: Nancy Erwin, Denise Fulton, Rhiley Gasper, Lori Hileman, Shawn and Robert Jewett, Larry Jordan, Meghan Key, Ted Klingensmith, Sarah Krouse, Brandi McCracken and family, Dave McCracken, Walter McGuire, Lisa Sanchez, Anna Shaffer, Ken Smail, Allison Smith & Lindsey Vettorel

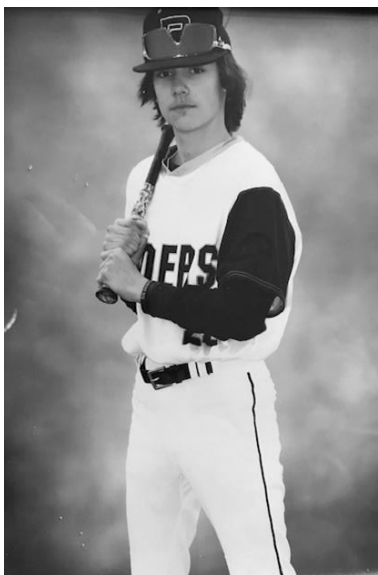
Homebound/Personal Care: Marjorie Henry, Laura Ludwigsen, Emilio & Judy Perez, Helen Shaffer, Virginia Shaner, Lyda Jane Shuster & Sandy Silliman

First Responders and those serving in the Military: Grant Imbarlina, Audra Sensor & Jeff Toy

If you would like a loved one added to the prayer list, please contact the church office.

HEBRON WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THIS STUDENT!

DALTON BAUDINO, son of Mark and Aimee Baudino; grandson of Larry and Sandy Baudino; grandson of Larry and Sharon Wolfe, is a sophomore at Roosevelt High School and resides in Johnstown, CO. He is 15 years old, an honor student, and has played organized baseball for many years. Dalton won the player of the year award for the 2022-2023 season as a member of the high school freshman team. He also plays for the ForWard Elite 2023 Traveling Team. Along with baseball, Dalton played football for his high school team, the Roosevelt Rough Riders. He and his teammates went on to win the State Championship for the 2022 season. When Dalton is not playing sports, he enjoys spending time with Buster and Cami (his 2 Bloodhounds), hunting, fishing and eating tacos!



KEEP UP THE GREATNESS DALTON!

Hebron prays for your many continued blessings.

Do you know a student that needs recognized? If so, please email the church office:
luther201@windstream.net or call 724-842-0801

HEBRON EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH'S STAFF:

Chelsae A. Hickman, Church Secretary
Office Hours: Monday, Thursday, Friday 9A – 1P
Kasey Boarts, Church Sexton
Lori Hileman, Financial Secretary
Jean Stull, Treasurer

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IMPORTANT UPDATE REGARDING THE P.A.T.H. PROGRAM!!!

At this time, the Food Bank is requesting monetary donations **ONLY**. They would like to keep all weekend bags standardized. With the donations, they will purchase all goods so that each child receives the same, exact thing. If you are able to donate, checks can be made payable to: Leechburg Food Bank. **PLEASE** include "Community PATH" on the memo line. If you include your donation in the weekly offering, please write "Community PATH" on the envelope. If you would like to mail your donation directly to the food bank: The Leechburg Foodbank – 251 Main Street, Leechburg 15656. These weekend bags are essential to the children of our community!

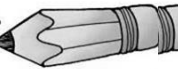
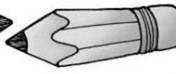
WITH DEEPEST
sympathy

IT IS WITH DEEP SORROW that we mourn the passing of **DOLORES FREILINO**. Dolores passed into the hands of God on *July 28, 2023*.


WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY to the family and friends of **WINIFRED NEAL**, mother of Keith (Jackie) Keple. Winifred passed into the hands of God on *August 7, 2023*.

IT IS WITH DEEP SORROW that we mourn the passing of **REBECCA (MOZGA) HUTCHERSON**. Rebecca passed into the hands of God on *August 16, 2023*. She was the daughter of the late Carl and Margaret Mozga.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be **closed** on **Monday, September 4, 2023**, in observance of Labor Day. The office will open on Thursday, September 7, at 9AM.



SEPTEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 WORSHIP 10:30AM	4 LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED	5	6	7	8 GTVFD BLOOD DRIVE 11:30AM-5PM	9
10 WORSHIP 10:30AM	11	12 COUNCIL MEETING 6PM	13	14	15	16 PINK DAY!! 10AM-5PM
17 WORSHIP 10:30AM	18	19 2023 LEECHBURG CARNIVAL	20	21	22	23 
24 WORSHIP 10:30AM	25	26	27	28	29	30

HEBRON'S MINISTRY COMMITTEES:

Outreach: Barb Talmadge & Chelsae Hickman

Finance/Stewardship: Marty Bash, Carolyn Smith-Hickman, Barb Talmadge & Jean Stull

Worship & Music: Carolyn Smith-Hickman & Chelsae Hickman

Property: Barb Talmadge, Lloyd Hickman, Velma Knell, Sean McCracken, Marty Bash & Dave Bash



THE 2023 LEECHBURG CARNIVAL

From Tuesday,
September 19 until
Saturday, September 23

The carnival will open at 6PM, and will remain open until 10PM. It will again be held in the parking lot of the LVFC – 268 Canal Street, Leechburg 15656. Ride all day tickets will be \$20.00. See Facebook for more information.



SEPTEMBER 2023

DATE/DAY/COLOR	USHERS	ALTAR FLOWERS	BULLETINS
September 3 14 th Sunday after Pentecost Green	Barb Talmadge & Chelsae Hickman <i>Lay Leader David Brauer</i>	<i>OPEN</i>	In honor of HEBRON LUTHERAN CHURCH. By: Charles Klingensmith
September 10 15 th Sunday after Pentecost Green	Velma Knell & Lloyd Hickman <i>Lay Leader Dominick Angelone Pianist: Sandy Baudino</i>	In honor of grandparents, LLOYD & CAROLYN HICKMAN. By: Charlie, Ashley, Kenley & Karsyn Rogers and Chelsae Hickman	<i>Sponsored by: Barb Talmadge</i>
September 17 16 th Sunday after Pentecost Green	Carolyn Smith- Hickman & Lloyd Hickman <i>Pianist: Sandy Baudino</i>	In honor of their 16 th Wedding Anniversary. By: Nathan and Kasey Boarts	<i>Sponsored by: Barb Talmadge</i>
September 24 17 th Sunday after Pentecost Green	Charles Klingensmith & Jean Stull <i>Lay Leader Dominick Angelone Pianist: Sandy Baudino</i>	In honor of the September 16 birthday of my granddaughter, CAROLINE SIMON , and the October 4 birthday of my granddaughter, EMILIA SIMON. By: Nancy Fondrk	<i>Sponsored by: Barb Talmadge</i> THE GILPIN TOWNSHIP

HEBRON'S 2023 CHURCH COUNCIL OFFICERS:

President: Carolyn Smith-Hickman
 Vice President: Barb Talmadge
 Treasurer: Jean Stull
 Financial Secretary: Lori Hileman

2023 COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Barb Talmadge Carolyn Smith-Hickman
 Charles Klingensmith
 Velma Knell



VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT will be hosting a Blood Drive on Friday, September 8, 2023, from 11:30AM – 5PM. *PLEASE* consider donating if you are able. There is a critical need for donors and the need for blood is constant. Help save lives and make a difference for patients in need.

Leechburg's Pink Day 2023

SATURDAY ○ SEPTEMBER 16TH ○ 10AM-5PM
MARKET STREET IN LEECHBURG

MAIN STAGE AT MARKET & SECOND

10:00AM WELCOME TO PINK DAY
10:05AM PRAYER BY PASTOR TODD PUGH
10:15AM NATIONAL ANTHEM
10:20AM 5K RESULTS
10:30AM RISEN TO SAVE
11:45AM MISS FREDDYE & HER BLUES BAND
1:00PM RIGHT TURN CLYDE
2:15PM TKO
3:30PM LENNY COLLINI FAMILY PAK

FESTIVITIES

8:30AM - 5K WALK/RUN REGISTRATION AT IPG FITNESS
10:00AM - KIDS ZONE AT KVCC
10:00AM - FACE PAINTING BY CHLOE ON MARKET STREET
10:20AM - LAHS MARCHING BAND AT THE SECOND STAGE ON MARKET STREET
10:45AM - LAHS CHEERLEADERS AT THE SECOND STAGE ON MARKET STREET
11:00AM - SYRIA SHRINERS CLOWNS ON MARKET STREET
11:00AM - BALLOON BUBBLE PHOTO TENT AT THE MASONIC HALL LAWN
11:00AM - THE HAIRY FAIRY GODMOTHER
11:00AM - DOUG CARNAHAN ACOUSTIC AT THE MASONIC HALL LAWN
12:00PM - PRINCESSES & SUPERHEROES ON MARKET STREET
1:30PM - BAFFLING BOB MAGIC ON MARKET STREET
2:00PM - WILD WORLD OF ANIMALS AT THE SECOND STAGE ON MARKET STREET
4:00PM - FOAM PARTY PITTSBURGH BY CHUCK SMITH FLOORING

ALSO HUGE SILENT AUCTION, 50/50 RAFFLE, PINK DAY SHIRT SALES

110 PRODUCT VENDORS, MULTIPLE FOOD VENDORS

**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE BREAST CANCER RESEARCH FOUNDATION VIA
LEECHBURG'S PINK DAY 501(C)3**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CHECK OUT FACEBOOK @ LEECHBURG'S PINK DAY 2023 OR
WWW.LEECHBURGPINKDAY.COM**

HEBRON EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER: SEPTEMBER 2023

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